

Recent Exciting Developments

Campaign to Stop Killer Coke

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Dear Friends:

There have been many exciting developments recently. On Oct. 14, students passed a binding referendum at the University College Dublin, Ireland's largest university, which will remove all Coke products from the campus. Also, the proprietors of one of Belfast's best-known pubs, the John Hewitt Bar and Restaurant, say that customer response has been overwhelmingly positive since they removed all Coca-Cola products from the shelves. Activity is also developing and growing in many other countries.

At Bard College in Annandale-on-Hudson, N.Y., the Fair Labor Organizing Committee announced that Coke was in violation of the schools' labor Code of Conduct. The school's contract with Coke will officially end in may and Coke has already been taken out of the campus bookstore. Another beverage will be chosen to replace Coke products in the cafeteria and machines.

Many campuses throughout the country have organized Oct. 16th actions and are distributing Campaign to Stop Killer Coke literature. United Students Against Sweatshops (USAS) campuses, as well as student groups on many other college campuses, are supporting SINALTRAINAL's life and death struggle at Coca-Cola's bottling plant in Colombia. Campuses include:

Bowdoin College
Cordozo Law School
DePaul University Chicago
Georgetown University
Hofstra University
Illinois State University
Loyola University Chicago
Mt. Holyoke College
Northeastern Illinois University
Northern Arizona State
St. Louis University
University of California, Berkeley
University of Chicago
University of Illinois at Chicago
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
University of Massachusetts
University of Wisconsin, Madison
University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
Western Virginia University
And many, many more.

We would like students to send us photos with descriptions of their activities so that we can post them on the Campaign to Stop Killer Coke's website (www.killercoke.org).

Students aren't the only ones taking such actions. Numerous unions have removed Coke machines from offices. The bus drivers union in Boston had Coke machines removed from four bus depots. A doctor's office in New York had all Coke products removed from his office...

Please inform us (at stopkillercoke@aol.com) about any activities at your school to support the Campaign to Stop Killer Coke. If you would like help to support the campaign, please e-mail with your name, phone number and best times to contact you.

Peace & Justice

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